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Dear Admiral Turner:

First of all, warmest congratulations on your appointment, [redacted] and other mutual friends are enthusiastic that the President has found just the right man.

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As you may know, the President has asked me to be our new Ambassador to Italy. I would very much enjoy the opportunity of lunching with you before I go, particularly since this is a country you know so well. Would you be free for lunch on either March 14 or 15? If you could let me know we could then arrange my briefings with the CIA to coincide.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Richard N. Gardner

Rear Admiral Stansfield Turner,
Director,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Langley.

*I believe we missed one another
at Oxford by several years.*